New Hampshire Racing & Charitable Gaming Commission Commission Meeting February 23, 2015 15-02

Present: Timothy J. Connors, Chairman

Anthony B. Urban, Secretary Frederick H. Booth, Member Dennis H. Caza, Member Michael J. Gatsas, Member Lynn M. Presby, Member Paul M. Kelley, Director

Sudhir K. Naik, Deputy Director

Valerie King, Procedures Administrator

Stephen Johnston, Supervisor-Gaming Operations Suzanne Robidoux, Gaming/Licensing Supervisor

Linda Glaser, Auditor Amir Alic, Auditor

Linda Darrow, Administrative Secretary

In Attendance: Nick Bonardi, Jan DiMarzio, Mike McLaughlin, Gregg Barber, Ryan Gloddy, Jamie Timbas, Anthony Fusco, Peter Anzalone, Susan Geiger, Jack Saltiel and others

Chairman Connors called the meeting to order at 11:00 a.m.

On a motion by Commissioner Booth, seconded by Commissioner Caza and unanimously voted to approve and place on file the minutes dated January 20, 2015.

Director Kelley handed out a letter from Mr. Callahan of Rockingham Park notifying the Commission of the contractual issues occurring between Mid-Atlantic Cooperative and Monarch Content Management. Due to loss of some signals, the handle at Rockingham Park has been negatively impacted. On a motion by Commissioner Presby, seconded by Commissioner Urban and unanimously voted to place on file the Racing & Charitable Gaming statistics for the fiscal period of July 1, 2014 – January 31, 2015.

The Games of Chance/Bingo/Lucky 7 warning letters/late financials spreadsheets were reviewed. Deputy Director Naik noted that all responses have been received. The spreadsheets were accepted and placed on file.

The Games of Chance State and Charity revenue spreadsheets were reviewed and placed on file.

Director Kelley asked the Commission to approve the 2015 Hinsdale Harness, LLC License Application. The Director stated that he received an email from the Attorney General's office confirming their approval. The bond was set at \$25,000 for the first year. Discussion ensued. On a motion by Commissioner Presby, seconded by Commissioner Urban and unanimously voted to approve the simulcast wagering license for Hinsdale Harness LLC.

Ms. King asked the Commission to approve adoption of the interim rules for both Bingo and Games of Chance. Discussion ensued. On a motion by Commissioner Urban, seconded by Commissioner Presby and unanimously voted to approve adoption of both sets of interim rules.

Ms. King asked the Commission to formally recognize the testing laboratories that are approved for testing electronic dispensing devices. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Gatsas noted that approval of Eclipse Compliance Testing should only be granted if they are not affiliated with Eclipse Gaming Systems, a licensed distributor of Lucky 7 dispensing devices. On a motion by Commissioner Gatsas seconded by Commissioner Booth and unanimously voted to recognize (1) GLI – Gaming Laboratories International; (2) BMM Compliance; and (3) Eclipse Compliance Testing. Approval of Eclipse Compliance Testing is pending written confirmation that Eclipse Gaming Systems is either not affiliated with or holds no more than 1% ownership in Eclipse Compliance Testing.

Mr. Anzalone of Oceanfront Gaming requested that the (now expired) approval of their expanded Bingo game operation be extended. Director Kelley stated that no issues were found and asked that the request be approved. Discussion ensued. On a motion by Commissioner Presby, seconded by Commissioner Caza and unanimously voted to approve.

Ms. King presented a draft of the "Lucky 7 Approval Checklists", which staff will use to determine if tickets/devices meet the requirements of the rules. Discussion ensued. Commissioner Gatsas requested that the signature line for reviewer be amended to allow multiple reviewers. On a motion by Commissioner Gatsas, seconded by Commissioner Urban and unanimously voted to approve the checklist, with the stipulation that the reviewer signature line be revised to allow for multiple reviewers.

Ms. King presented Eclipse Gaming Systems' request for a waiver for Pari 1109.01(d)(1) through (6) regarding "Lucky 7 Ticket Price and Markings". Discussion ensued. Mr. Jack Saltiel, CEO of Eclipse Gaming Systems was available and answered questions of the Commission. Mr. Saltiel also noted that Eclipse Gaming Systems and Eclipse Compliance Testing are two separate companies and have no owners in common. The Commissioners then took the following actions:

Commissioner Urban made a motion to approve the request. There was no second.

Commissioner Presby made a motion to table the request. Commissioner Booth seconded. Commissioners Urban, Gatsas and Booth opposed. No votes were made in support of the motion.

Commissioner Gatsas made a motion to receive the request and place on file. Commissioner Booth seconded. A roll call vote was requested:

Connors - No
Booth - No
Caza - Yes
Gatsas - Yes
Presby - Yes
Urban - No

Commissioner Booth made a motion to deny the waiver request. Commissioner Gatsas seconded. A roll call vote was requested:

Connors - Yes
Booth - Yes
Caza - Yes
Gatsas - Yes

Presby - Yes Urban - Yes

Motion to deny the waiver request passed unanimously.

Correspondence:

a. On a motion by Commissioner Urban, seconded by Commissioner Booth and unanimously voted to accept the correspondence and place it on file.

Old Business:

- ➤ On February 19, 2015, Director Kelley, Chairman Connors and Commissioner Presby attended the House Finance Division I and II meeting to discuss the merger with the Lottery Commission. Commissioner Presby provided the Commissioners with copies of the testimony he had prepared for the meeting. The document was accepted and placed on file.
- ➤ Commissioner Gatsas noted that the account wagering balance information from Seabrook and Rockingham fall within the required limits.

New Business:

- ➤ Director Kelley announced that Ms. Suzanne Robidoux is the new Gaming/Licensing Supervisor for the agency.
- The Tax Auditor I position is now open and will be filled.

There being no further questions or comments from the audience, at 11:30 a.m., on a motion by Commissioner Booth, seconded by Commissioner Urban and by a unanimous roll call vote the Commission voted to adjourn the regular meeting:

Connors - Yes
Booth - Yes
Caza - Yes
Gatsas - Yes
Presby - Yes
Urban - Yes

The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, March 16, 2015 at 1:00 p.m., in Room 100.

The Chairman closed the public meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Anthony B. Urban Secretary